Key Health Indicators Committee

1. Committee Objectives/Projects:

- Evaluate indicators for use along with the standards (joint activity)
- Evaluate access indicators
- Support local community health assessment
- Decide on report card updates
- Study local needs for assessment technology tools (joint activity)

2. Actions:

Subcommittee of KHI and Performance Management

Select statewide public health indicators. The indicators will be used to monitor health trends across the state at the county level. The Subcommittee met for an all day meeting in April. Criteria for selecting the indicators had been developed and was used by the subcommittee to identify key public health Indicators in 5 areas: Environmental Health, Communicable Disease, Maternal and Child Health, Prevention/Health Promotion, and Access. The process will include using the work from the 2004 PHIP publication and the KHI Report Card to inform the selection of core health indicators. The Subcommittee plans to meet again in June and July.

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iLinc session was held May 30. The session included a history of previous work and an overview of each of the committee's objectives in the work plan. Next step: A face-to-face meeting of the committee in August/September to begin discussions around evaluating the Report Card and how to support local community health assessment toward increasing county level data, training, and other needs.

Both the KHI Committee and Subcommittee will be coordinating with the Access Committee to select access indicators that provide an indication of access to needed health services.

Assessment Technology: A subcommittee first met in October 2005 to develop a charter for the work of identifying needs and setting priorities on the future development of IT tools to support assessment. The Public Health Assessment Technology Tools (PHATT) needs assessment is being conducted by Ross Associates. Key informant interviews and an on-line survey are two of the methods being used to gather information.

3. Committee Materials

- 1. Criteria for Selecting Statewide Public Health Indicators
- 2. PHATT Charter
- 3. Public Health Indicators/Performance Management Charter